

echoes in the area, noises originating from either place tend to sound the same.

In any event, no one present at the time saw anything at all suspicious.

Thus we came, gradually and finally, to the end of our assignment. We had become masters of much more information than we had expected to gather, veterans of many more twisting trails than we had expected to follow. We spent nearly two months writing our massive report — on which all of us, with our different backgrounds, are agreed.

This report is the truth as we see it, as best we know it, and on this, we rest. □

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guilt; but if they proved a man could not have gone down to the second floor in time, they could prove Oswald's innocence.

In the first test run by the Commission it took a stand-in for Truly/Baker 1:30 and a stand-in for Oswald 1:18. In the second test run it took Truly/Baker 1:15 and Oswald 1:14. If you take the Oswald test time of 1:18, and the Truly/Baker time of 1:15, then Oswald would have arrived after Baker. If you add the time needed for the hypothetical assassin to leave his boxed-in "sniper's nest," hide the rifle, etc. he probably would have arrived 5 or more seconds after Baker. /8/ It is also inter-

A Radical Analysis of Political Assassinations and Conspiracies Is Needed

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To the Editor:

"Truth is always revolutionary": this is a golden rule in political analysis.

1. Reasonableness not Exaggeration. When we examine political assassinations and government conspiracies, we must not exaggerate the facts of these atrocities. A careful, well-documented presentation can speak for itself. When we inflate corporate/government conspiracies, we undermine our own efforts towards radical change.

2. The Nature of the System. We must examine the nature of the system itself. It is a pitfall to paint a picture of well-oiled conspiracies that mar an otherwise decent system. We must look at the day to day horrors of the system: rats in the ghetto, speed-up on the factory line and inadequate food and health-care for hundreds of thousands. We must look at our economy that is so heavily dependent on arms and munitions manufacturing.

3. Not CABALS but a SYSTEM. When we consider the failure of the established media to examine and reveal the truths of political assassinations, we should not be lulled into believing it is simply the work of the CIA or other cabal. We must recognize that the media monopolies have a vested interest in the stability and affirmation of the system — something that could be threatened in exposing conspiracies and cover-ups.

4. The Kennedys Support the System. We must be cautious not to represent the Kennedys as innocent victims. We should remember their complicity in war, counter-insurgency and cover-ups. The Kennedy silence on the assassinations of RFK and JFK is not necessarily the result of having been misled or blackmailed. It could be attributed to "reasons of state" and concern for the stability of the system.

5. Imperialism. The approach of radical researchers and "counterspies" should stem from the conviction that the system is basically imperialistic. Years of careful research and unheroical explanations will be required to expose the monster, the system, which runs for the benefit and wealth of the few rich and for the harm and the oppression of the many poor. □

esting to note that Victoria Adams ran down the same stairs allegedly used by Oswald after the assassination and saw no one. /9/ Needless to say, the Commission's tests failed to prove that Oswald could have dashed down the stairs in time to meet Baker.

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